MINUTES AND ACTION ITEMS - Lennox Community Council

Location: Lampie Hoose, Portgordon Meeting Date: 29th August 2018

Meeting Attendees: Colin Hanover (Chair)

Angus McNairAM

Mike ReidJohn WrightJW

John WrightAnna-Mary OveringAMO

David Bremner (Councillor)

DB

Kay Griffin (non-member)

Christine Lester (non-member)

Apologies from: Pringle George, Denise Robson, Robert Grey, Councillor PG

Shona Morrison, Councillor Marc Macrae

Minutes taken by: • Kay Griffin

Items Discussed

Minutes of previous meeting and outstanding actions

In the absence of PG the Chair read out a brief resume from an email from PG concerning her progress regarding defibrillators. The Chair advised those at the meeting that locally a defibrillator was being donated by Buckie & District Choir; this will be sited at the Lampie Hoose. A second defibrillator is being donated to Portgordon by the firework group; this is to be sited at the local primary school. The firework committee will also pay for the installation of CCTV at the Lampie Hoose.

AMO proposed approval of minutes, seconded by AM

Email addresses were checked as some Council members had not received the minutes.

Environmental and Well Being Update

There has been an issue with unsocial behaviour at the Pavilion in Fochabers including broken glass. The police have been informed.

Treasurer's Report

In the absence of the Treasurer there was no financial report offered other than to record that we have still not received any money from SSE to fund the Micro Grant Scheme. CH to write to SSE.

Planning Report

There is some confusion over the fact that the Portgordon Ice House Café plans appear on the planning list for the Buckie area when they should be on the Lennox list.

Core Path CCP50

With reference to the proposed designation of CCP50 as a new core path. Following a meeting with the Gordon Castle Estate and conversations with a number of local residents, and a visit to the site in question, Lennox Community Council concurs with the landowner's objection and supports the removal of the proposed CCP50 Path designation.

Correspondence/Matters Arising

An email had been received concerning the eyesore that is the site of the previous Spey Bay Hotel. The site is now a hazard and local children have been seen playing there.

Dates of meetings

Community Council Forum at the Public Institute Fochabers on Friday, 31st August will be attended by AM

MR will attend funding seminar at the Inkwell, Elgin on 4th September.

All members encouraged to attend Innes Community Council meeting on the evening of 4th September at Garmouth and Kingston Golf Club.

Any comments relating to the dualling of the A96 should be received by 14th September.

Spey Catchment Initiative are hosting a meeting in the Christie Room at the Public Institute on 17th September at 10:30am

Councillor Feedback

Councillor Bremner advised that budgets currently "remain under wraps"

Joint Community Councils

CH invited members to read the minutes of the recent Joint CC meeting when they get home and email him with any issues by email.

The next JCC meeting is on 8th November in Council HQ, Elgin.

AOCB

Kay Griffin raised the issue of erosion at the East Shore in Portgordon near the ice house. The erosion is encroaching on sewage pipes.

It was noted that a homemade barrier had been placed across the Speyside Way at the east end of Portgordon, causing an obstruction and making it difficult for some walkers to pass, particularly those with buggies or in a wheelchair. It is suspected that one of the residents in the immediate area is responsible.

MR raised concern over the presentation of the notice board at Christies.

Memorial services on 11th November need to be orchestrated. It was agreed that the proprietors of the Walled Garden Restaurant should be approached.

Christine Lester raised concern regarding speeding in Auchenhalrig by some tractor drivers. Councillor Bremner advised her to contact the police. Councillor Bremner asked that anyone who sees something wrong should contact the police or relevant local authority department.

Christine Lester expressed an interest in being co-opted onto the council.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20:30pm

Next Meeting: 26th September 2018 at Clochan

New Actions

Ref	Action Items	Status	Who	Due By
29/8/2018	Write to SSE to find out about funding for Micro Grants	Open	СН	
29/8/2018	Read Joint CC minutes and email CH with any issues	Open	СН	
29/8/2018	Approach proprietor of Walled Garden Restaurant at Gordon Castle estate	Open		
27/6/18	Collect key for Fochabers notice board	Open	JW	
27/6/18	Email response to change of path designation	Open	СН	

Outstanding Actions

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	Vodaphone Mast	Open		
30/5/18	Think of ideas on how we might better our situation in the community	Open	All	27/6/18
30/5/18	Possible purchase of new gazebo	Open	All	